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Notification No. LAW 109 LGN 75

Bangalore, dated 24th December 1975.

Ordered that the Karnataka Forest (Amendment) Ordinance, 1975 promulgated by the Governor of Karnataka in the Twenty-sixth Year of the Republic of India be published as Karnataka Ordinance No. 32 of 1975 in the *Karnataka Gazette* for general information.

KARNATAKA ORDINANCE No. 32 OF 1975

THE KARNATAKA FOREST (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE, 1975

(Promulgated by the Governor of Karnataka in the Twenty-sixth Year of the Republic of India and first published in the *Karnataka Gazette*, Extraordinary on the Twenty-fourth day of December 1975)

An Ordinance further to amend the Karnataka Forest Act, 1963.

WHEREAS neither House of the State Legislature is in session and the Governor of Karnataka is satisfied that circumstances exist which render it necessary for him to take immediate action further to amend the Karnataka Forest Act, 1963 (Karnataka Act 5 of 1964) ;

NOW, THEREFORE in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (1) of Article 213 of the Constitution of India, the Governor of Karnataka is pleased to promulgate the following Ordinance, namely :—

1. **Short title and commencement.**—(1) This Ordinance may be called the Karnataka Forest (Amendment) Ordinance, 1975.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2 **Insertion of new Chapter XI-A.**—After Chapter XI of the Karnataka Forest Act, 1963 (Karnataka Act 5 of 1964) the following Chapter and sections shall be inserted, namely :—

"CHAPTER XI—A

FOREST DEVELOPMENT TAX

92A. Levy of Forest Development Tax.—(1) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, in respect of forest produce disposed of by the State Government by sale or otherwise, there shall be levied and paid to the State Government a tax at the rate of five per cent on the amount of consideration paid therefor.

(2) The said tax shall be collected along with such consideration.

(3) It is hereby declared that the said tax shall be in addition to and not in lieu of any tax payable in respect of such produce under any other law in force.

92B. Forest Development Fund.—(1) There shall be constituted for the State of Karnataka a Fund called the Karnataka Forest Development Fund.

(2) The tax levied and collected under section 98A shall be first credited to the Consolidated Fund of the State and under appropriation duly made by law in this behalf, be entered in and transferred to the Karnataka Forest Development Fund.

(3) Any amount transferred to the said fund under sub-section (2), shall be charged upon the Consolidated Fund of the State.

(4) The amount at the credit of the said fund shall not be expended except for the raising of forest plantations and for such other purpose as are ancillary thereto."

MOHANLAL SUKHADIA,
Governor of Karnataka.

By Order and in the name of the Governor of Karnataka,

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